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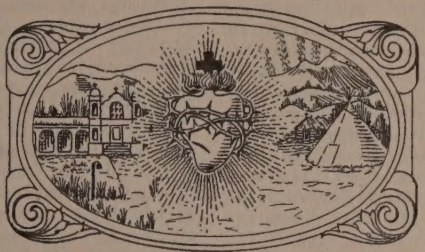

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As a befitting close to the Holy Year the Holy Father on Christmas eve published his latest Encyclical, **Quas Primas,** establishing the new feast of **Christ the King,** to be celebrated yearly on the last Sunday of October. The special object of this feast is to honor Christ with especial reference to His office of **King of all mankind.**

The Encyclical appears in the Apostolicae Sedis of December 28, and it again assures us that the only remedy for the evils of the world today is **the Peace of Christ,** which, it admonishes us, is to be found only in the **Kingdom of Christ.**

The full Office and Mass are found in the same number and their keynote is: Rex Pacificus; Regnum firmissimum et sempiternum, pax subditis omnibus. The lessons of the first nocturn are from St. Paul to the Colossians, I, 3-23; of the second from the Encyclical itself; of the third from the Homilies of Saint Augustine. The epistle of the Mass is from the Colossians, I, 12-20, and the gospel from St. John, XVIII, 33-37. The Roman Martyrology announces simply: **Feast of the King, Our Lord Jesus Christ.**

The feast is essentially dear to us on account of the consuming desire of our Holy Father, St. Ignatius, to reduce all nations to the Kingdom of Christ, so beautifully expressed in the most famous meditation of the Spiritual Exercises and inspiring that truly apostolic zeal which ought to animate every son of St. Ignatius.

It is a strange fact that the pagan Roman, Pilate, had less misgivings about the Kingship of Christ heard from His own lips than the Christian and progressive foreign correspondents of our large papers at the present time in Rome on hearing its repetition from His Vicegerent. The Associated Press dispatch indicated even physical aggressiveness on the part of the Pope, further than this the account as given was quite unintelligible. Such was the commotion raised in paper offices in general that Father Parsons, editor of America, found it advisable to write an article in the issue of January 30 on **"What the Pope Did Not Say."**

When our large dailies had given the matter a thorough investigation it became evident that the Pope had said nothing really new, but had strictly followed his Master's injunction: "Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." Father Husslein has devoted three articles in America, beginning with February 6, to an explanation of this feast and proves Christ's Kingship over all men from the Messianic prophecies of the Old Testament as well as from the clear pronouncements of the New.

The facility with which a bigoted mind can influence simple or overcredulous readers through the powerful agency of the Associated Press, particularly when far-away and dealing with a foreign tongue, has often been for us a matter of surprise and

of sad regret. That it has been done over and over again, that it is a stock in trade with some correspondents, we only know too well from sad experience.

Dispatches dealing with the present persecution of the church in Mexico narrate the expulsion of priests and bishops, the taking over of church property, as a usual event or of no concern, but mentions with some surprise the closing of the Methodist Episcopal school at Piedras Begras, adding that this was the exception, "as only Catholic institutions and priests have been interfered with."

That Catholics are not prepared or properly organized to counteract such potent influences for evil and even oppression we lament, at times we look forward to the vindication of truth and justice by some influential champion—whom probably the spirit does not move—and as a last resource we leave it to God "in His own good time."

It will be interesting and consoling to learn that V. R. Father General has started a splendid project for the purpose of gathering and spreading the truth throughout the world, which in time will become a real Apostolate of the Press. A movement of this nature must of necessity be slow in the beginning, and relate solely to reviews and publications of the Society; its further development will depend on the zeal and prayers of over 19,000 Jesuits scattered throughout the world acting through an International Center of Information at Rome.

A full outline of this new Apostolate will be given in our next number.

SACRED HEART NOVITIATE

Visitation Made—Our visitation was completed on February 3. Rev. Father Provincial was with us for thirteen days. We may remark that one of the blessings brought by the visitation was the exceptional amount of rain we received, no less than ten inches having fallen during Father's stay.

Fr. Menager's Vow Day—The Feast of the Purification was a great day at the Novitiate. Rev. Father Provincial celebrated the Community Mass and received the last vows of Father Gabriel Menager, Socius to the Master of Novices. Circumstances fortunately made it possible for Father Edward Menager to be present at the vows of his brother, since he is stationed at the Retreat House, only a few miles away. Many beautiful and becoming things were said at the gathering held that evening in honor of Father Socius. Particularly memorable was the praise merited by the parents of the good Father now thoroughly knighted in the service of Christ the King, because many years ago they left their native land in order to secure Catholic education for their boys, three of whom have been called to the Society. Rev. Father Provincial spoke with great effect on the Cross each one is to carry joyfully and brought the day to a close in a practical and beneficial manner.

Horticulture—With due consideration for simplicity and economy, we are gradually improving the appearance of our property. It has been discovered that wonders can be done by trans-planting native shrubs and bushes, a great variety of which are to be found in the hills. With care and pruning, these plants can be made as attractive as those obtained from the nursery. Manzanita, California's holly and cherry oak look very well along our driveways and once well rooted they need no more attention than an occasional pruning. Now and then companies returning from walks bring in new specimens and set them into holes already dug for that purpose. Visitors can now receive edifying lessons not only in poverty but also in horticulture.

An Odd Incident—An odd thing happened the other day at the entrance to our property. A large oak tree, about twenty inches through and apparently in good health, suddenly toppled over with a loud crash. No wind was blowing at the time and there seemed to be no reason for such a collapse. Upon examination it was found that the tree had rotted off near the ground and that for some time just enough sap had been flowing to keep the leaves a bright green. This little happening occasioned many serious reflections and it was remarked that the tree had previously somewhat concealed the near-by statue, known to us as Our Lady of Perseverance, but now the view is no longer obstructed.

Work Done on Shrines—The no-

vices, under the personal direction of Father Socius, have begun to make preparations for the erection of a shrine at our villa in honor of the Blessed Virgin. In the leafy light and shadow of a grove of redwoods, an ideal spot, seemingly designed by nature for just this purpose, has been chosen as the location. The work promises, when completed, to be an object of rustic beauty and a source of much devotion. At home work of a similar nature is being done. Not long ago, a strong wind overturned and destroyed the statue of Saint Joseph near the lake and an experienced workman is now engaged in setting up a new statue of our dear saint. To avoid a recurrence of the recent mishap, the shrine will be closed in with glass arranged in French window style and in future the sun's rays will make it flash like a great jewel to be seen from all the surrounding hills.

MT. ST. MICHAEL'S

Last Vows—On February 2 Father Francis Menager and Father Gianera pronounced their Last Vows: Rev. Father Rector celebrated the Mass and the Scholastic Gregorian chanters rendered beautiful and appropriate selections. Dinner manifested a wonderful spirit of religious happiness; the work of the past was rehearsed, the aspirations of the future pointed out, with heartfelt wishes for success. All were participators in the great joy of the two Fathers and all appreciated the generous spirit with which they publicly riveted on the enduring yoke. Fathers Mackin, Fletcher, Oyarzo, and several Scholastics from Gonzaga were present.

Flu—The Observationists brought back the flu from Gonzaga, where it was pretty prevalent. Three of them fell as first victims on February 7 and it began to spread so that in five days there were 24 cases. As the infirmary could not accommodate all, the first floor was used for them, and convalescents were returned to their own rooms under a four-day quarantine. Br. Mirgain was the only one threatened with pneumonia and was taken to the hospital in an ambulance. On the 13th two more cases developed—the last ones—and two days later all were back to their rooms. It was a strenuous week for Br. Danahy, who had his hands full day and night; were it not for the generous help given by Mr. Smith and Mr. Malone he could never have handled the situation. Owing to great care and strict dietary regulations there were neither complications nor relapses.

Disputations—The Winter Disputation was set for February 13: Mr. Feeley (Cal.) to defend De Divina Scientia against Mr. Bogue (N. O.) and Mr. P. Kelly (Mo.); the flu got at both defender and objector so the burden devolved on Father Chianale himself. Mr. Hogan (Mo.) defended in Ethics against Mr. Logan (Cal.) and Mr. Martin (N. O.); Mr. G. Kelly (Mo.) in Cosmology against Mr. Barton (Cal.) and Mr. Toomey (N. O.); Mr. Bieri (Mo.) read a paper on Dynamism and Mr. Lipman (Cal.), assisted by Mr. Shea (Mo.), gave an illustrated lecture on Electro-Magnetic Induction and the Transformer. All was of a high standard.

Exposition—It is the custom here to have solemn exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during the three days preceding Ash Wednesday, thus to make reparation to our dear Lord for the many outrages perpetrated against Him during the days of Carnival. The Blessed Sacrament was exposed after the Community Mass each day and reposed after Benediction, at 6:30. No further cases of the flu developed during these days of prayer, nor since, and many are the other blessings He bestowed upon us.

LOYOLA COLLEGE

The Retreat—The students' annual retreat was begun on Tuesday morning, February 2, the Feast of the Purification. From the start Our Lady seemed to take the retreat under her special care; for the students manifested the greatest of attention during the instructions. The retreat-master, Father Joseph Stack, S. J., seems to have made quite an impression; and from the number of inquiries about him he bids fair to live long in the memories of the present student body.

The retreat ended on the morning of the First Friday, when nearly the entire student body received Holy Communion. The devotion of the students, both young and old, was indeed an inspiration. Mass was followed by Benediction, the Papal

Blessing, and breakfast, to the last named of which the students more than did justice.

Weekly Instruction — With the completion of our students' chapel, Father Fox is enabled to resume the weekly instructions to the student body. Lack of space has for some time prevented him from giving these instructions.

Sodalities—The sodalities, which have also been suffering from this same lack of space, will soon be reorganized.

New Building—Contracts for the new building are being let, and there is every reason to believe that work will be begun on the construction in the near future.

Vaccination—The rapid spread of the small-pox epidemic has made it strongly advisable for all the students to be vaccinated. Thus far no cases have been reported connected with the college.

Debates—Mr. Robidoux's quartet of youthful orators gave an exhibition debate before the parish school of Huntington Park. This was the first public debate of the year held in the High School department. A daily paper has taken the picture of the aspiring orators for publication purposes.

Visitors—Father Gleeson spent a few days here and in Hollywood during the past week. He came down on the occasion of the sickness and death of Mr. O'Neill, a former student of Santa Clara and a wealthy rancher of this locality.

ST. IGNATIUS COLLEGE

New Organ—Workmen are busy in St. Ignatius Church installing the organ recently purchased from the Conservatory of Music of the former College of the Pacific in San Jose. The organ, which contains three manuals and is noted for its beauty of tone and power, was purchased at an extremely low price, as the cost of the instrument, including installation, will not exceed $9,000. The St. Ignatius organ has been accepted in part payment, and will be sold to a Methodist church. A growing fund, generously supported by music-lovers and those zealous for the best of music in the church, will care for the expense entailed. The organ is the largest Kimball organ in the West, having originally cost $12,000.

Fathers' Night — Encouraged by the truly great success of the Mothers' Club movement at St. Ignatius, those in charge took the next step towards organizing the fathers of our students, with results that far surpassed even our best expectations. Students, mothers and faculty all took part in making "Fathers' Night," February 8, a most enjoyable and instructive evening. Of course, Father must be won through the culinary as well as through the finer arts, and so between a delicious array of cakes and refreshments, made and served by "Mother" and an excellent musical and humorous program staged by the boys, besides timely talks by Rev. Fr. Rector and Fr. McFadden, the Fathers pronounced the evening a splendid one.

Last Vows—On February 2, Rev. Fathers Egan, A. Whelan and Stern, pronounced their last vows as members of the Order. Father McFadden, who was in St. Mary's hospital at the time, convalescing from an attack of the flu, pronounced his Vows of the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, February 11.

Deaths—Mr. L. Rudolph, of Gonzaga, was at St. Ignatius during the early part of the month on the sad errand of attending the death-bed of his father. We offer our sincere sympathy and beg of Almighty God for the soul of the dear departed. The sister of Father William Culligan also passed away recently in San Francisco. May she rest in peace.

Lenten Sermons—Since Luther Burbank has created some stir in San Francisco by his recent exposition of his so-called religious ideas, Rev. Fr. Kavanagh has decided to name his Sunday evening Lenten lectures "Burbank's Blunders." Father Carroll will deliver the Wednesday evening course of sermons.

Sodality—On the Feast of the Purification, before Benediction in the evening, thirteen candidates were solemnly received by Rev. Fr. Rector into the Boys' Junior Sodality of Our Lady. Kneeling in a semi-circle in the sanctuary, the boys devoutly pronounced the Act of Consecration and received the Sodality Medal and the Diploma. A few days later five other applicants who had been unable to be present at the Solemn Reception, were received into the So-

dality privately. Membership in this new Soladity, which is under the direction of Mr. Gatz, will be limited to forty, representing, from the entire High School, only the very best boys, with regard to both studies and conduct.

Forty Hours—The Forty Hours' Devotion opened in St. Ignatius with a gratifying display of devotion. The exercises closed on the morning of Shrove Tuesday, the students attending the Solemn High Mass on that day.

Rainy Day Order—On days when heavy rains would cause too many inconveniences during the lunch hour, St. Ignatius High School employs what is known as "Rainy Day Order." All the periods are shortened, recess is eliminated, and the boys leave school for the day at 12:45 p. m.

UNIVERSITY OF SANTA CLARA

Plans for Jubilee Celebration — May 30th is the day chosen for the official celebration of the 75th anniversary of the foundation of Santa Clara. Though the detailed plans have not as yet been completed, the following is a more or less tentative outline of the day's festivities: The celebration will start with a Pontifical High Mass in the morning, which will be followed by athletic events, literary and dramatic presentations, and by other appropriate exercises. The Commencement Exercises will be held in the afternoon, and the Alumni Banquet and entertainment in the evening.

Last Vows—On February 2, Fathers Watson and Coghlan pronounced their last vows.

Old Gym Razed—With the departure of the Preps for College Park, there is no longer any need for the old building they were using as a gymnasium and basketball court, so it has been removed in order to allow more room for work on the auditorium. The gym was one of the oldest buildings on the campus, being put up in the late seventies. It was first used for debating halls, recreation and music rooms. Later, part of it became the chemistry class room, and the remainder was made into a basketball court for the Varsity. After the Seifert Gym was completed, the Preps made use of the old gym until their departure for their new home.

Choir Reorganized—Father Gaffney's removal to College Park made necessary the reorganization of the choir. Mr. Casey is the new director, and under his guidance, the practices give indication that Santa Clara will have once more a representative student choir.

Auditorium Work Rushed — No time is being lost on the reconstruction of the auditorium. All the inside has been removed; the stage has been dropped twenty feet, and the new orchestra pit constructed. The structural steel work is, according to the contract, to be finished on February 23, and from then on the finishing touches will be rapidly completed. Barring accidents or unseen delays, the work will be completed in ample time for the Jubilee Play, which is scheduled for some time in May.

News from College Park — Work still continues on the new faculty building, which is now nearing completion. When finished, it will contain fourteen or fifteen rooms and a domestic chapel.

Miss Grisez recently presented the Prep School with a very nice harmonium. A beautiful set of the stations have also been promised, and will arrive soon.

Under Father Gaffney's direction an orchestra and a glee club have been started among the boys, and both organizations are rapidly rounding into shape.

The Prep School has changed the Red and White of Santa Clara into Blue and White, and several new college songs are being composed, which will be distinctive of the Preparatory department.

GONZAGA UNIVERSITY

Public Debate—In one of the best exhibitions witnessed here for some time, Gonzaga defeated the University of Idaho in the first inter-collegiate debate of the season, which took place in the Gonzaga Gymnasium, on January 15. The question debated was: "Resolved, That it is more consistent with the economic welfare of the whole country that Congress should so amend the Commerce act as to take from the Interstate Commerce Commission the power to permit the railroads to charge more for a short haul than for a longer one." Gonzaga upheld

the affirmative side. The decision was 2 to 1. This victory has been a great incentive to further oratorical activity.

Progress—The reorganization of the college debating societies has been practically completed, to the great satisfaction of all. As noted in the last issue, the congressional system has been adopted: members of the House will be selected from among "high class" men of the college department, while the Senate will be composed entirely of law students. Debates will be held with the larger educational institutions of the Pacific Coast and the Northwest. The California Institute of Technology has issued a debate challenge to members of the Gonzaga Law School, which has been accepted. Mr. C. Kavanagh, S. J., is the Moderator of the newly organized "Senate."

Father Donnelly—Word has been received that Rev. Francis Donnelly, S. J., of Poughkeepsie, has been secured by Gonzaga authorities to conduct an advanced course in English during the 1926 summer season. It may be stated that Father Donnelly's "Model English" is used as a text-book in third and fourth year high school classes of Gonzaga.

Concerts—The Harmony class, organized last November by Professor Orion, is making extensive preparations to furnish the public with a series of musical concerts to be given for the benefit of the department. Professor Orion hopes to surpass last year's brilliant production. He is now preparing for the "Laetare" concert, which will be given in the Gonzaga Auditorium, on Laetare Sunday.

Parental Observation — The High School Classes have given the class specimens which were announced in the last number of the "News." All the parents and friends who accepted the invitation to be present, expressed themselves as very grateful for the interest manifested by the teachers in their sons. Everyone voted the innovation very successful and expressed the hope that more class specimens would be held during the second semester.

Separation—The administration of the College and High School Departments has been completely reorganized; they are now entirely separated. Until now both departments had been in charge of a general prefect of discipline. This new plan has been adopted through force of circumstances. At the beginning of the second semester, Father Brogan, Dean of Studies in the College Department, was appointed College prefect of Discipline, with Mr. McGoldrick as assistant. Father McNamara, Principal of the high school, became also prefect of discipline of the high school department, with Mr. McKey as assistant. Up to date the change seems to have brought about some very good results. Father Shepherd, until recently general prefect of discipline, has taken up the duties of teacher of Latin and French in the high school.

Holy Angels—As a testimonial of Sodality membership, diplomas have been given to the members of the Holy Angels Sodality. These diplomas, which were imported from Germany, are beautifully colored and exquisitely designed. The Sodality has 35 members and is composed of the best students of the first two years of the high school. At Christmas time the little Society sent ten dollars as a Christmas present to Father McElmeel for his Alaskan missions. Mr. Paul O'Connor is the Moderator.

Law—An official report was forwarded from Olympia, Washington, lately, that Mr. Markowitz, graduate of Gonzaga Law Class of '25, has been admitted to the practice of law in the State of Washington. Mr. Warkowitz very successfully passed the bar examination.

Jesuit Martyrs—On January 31, February 1 and 2, St. Aloysius parish held a Solemn Triduum in honor of the newly beatified Jesuit Martyrs of North America. The Triduum opened with a Solemn High Mass on January 31. Each evening of the three days Father H. J. Vrebosch preached on the life of the Martyrs. The first evening he showed how the newly beatified were steadily formed and prepared for their final crown, by renouncing brilliant careers of the world and subjecting themselves to the trials that fill the life of a Jesuit novice and scholastic. The second night he showed the missionaries in the midst of their arduous toils among the Indians, and on the last evening he gave a graphic description of the martyrdom and triumph of the Blessed. The exercises were well attended. Especially grat-

ifying it was to see so many of the faithful approach the Holy Table, on the last day, in honor of the Martyrs.

Forty Hours—On the last three days before Lent, Father Raymond Butler, preached the three sermons during the Forty-hour devotions held in St. Aloysius church. In spite of the fact that the Father had just recovered from an attack of the flu, he spoke very eloquently on "The Eve of Calvary," "The Unending Sacrifice, "Our Share in That Sacrifice."

Last Vows — On Feb. 2, Father Oyarzo pronounced his last vows in the St. Aloysius church. The students of the University were present and furnished the music for the occasion. In the morning the High School students rendered a delightful program, at the conclusion of which Father Oyarzo announced that the remainder of the day would be a holiday. This holiday was extended to the College Department.

S. O. S.

Save Old Stamps

We are sometimes asked if stamp collecting is worth while, and if so, what stamps should be collected?

To answer the first question, there are over a million stamp collectors in the world spending annually over three million dollars on stamps. Surely stamp collecting is worth while.

Our second question is not answered so easily. It will probably be best answered by giving a few hints and suggestions.

Save all kinds of stamps—U. S., Foreign, Postage Due, Revenue, Wine Stamps, etc.

Stamps should not be tied together in bundles of hundreds or thousands.

It is best to leave old stamps on the original envelopes to show that they are genuine.

Of late years the precancelled stamps, i. e., such stamps as have the name of a city printed on them, have been much in demand by collectors.

When cutting stamps from envelopes always allow a quarter of an inch margin of paper. If you wish to go a step farther and have the time soak the stamps in cold water and remove the paper.

Tinfoil, because of its weight, is best sold at your local junk-dealers.

Send your cancelled stamps to
Mission Stamp Bureau,
Mt. St. Michaels, Hillyard Station.
Spokane, Wash.

(Letter)
Mountain Village,
Alaska, Nov. 27, 1925.

Rev. and dear Fr. Provincial, P. C.

I am writing you a letter early on account of the proselytising work done by that catechist of whom I wrote in a former letter. He has now been advanced to the grade of Minister, is friendly, and says the Catholic religion is good, yet he has got to make an easy living, not being strong enough for hard work. He has built a little church at the other end of the village and at times endeavors rather slyly to induce my Catholic boys and girls to his Swedish church. His wife, who was raised in the Russian Orthodox faith, and his daughters, help him considerably in this as they are good musicians. I ask your Reverence's prayers that the Lord in His goodness may prevent this danger, which at the present time is small, from becoming serious.

From years of experience in this locality I think—and I have written our Superior to that effect—that it would be prudent and even necessary to enlarge this station, as it is a kind of center between the far-off parts of the Yukon Delta and the Mission of Holy Cross.

Being alone here and these people increasing in numbers and in virtue I am not able sufficiently to minister to all their spiritual needs. I would therefore ask for help, though I am feeling well and busy all the time. I am prompted to this by the following propitious occurrences: 1. The head or chief of the whole village, with his family, has been converted to the faith, with them also the captain, a very influential man among his own people. 2. One of our best boys was taken with some sickness of the eyes and as two teachers, who also ply the trade of doctors in cases of sickness among the Eskimos, could not help him, we began to pray earnestly to St. Ignatius for some days, rubbing the eyes with St. Ignatius water and the boy was soon cured. 3. On the evening of the First Friday, September 4, as one of the boys was putting out the candles after Benediction, a

lighted candle toppled over on the altar near the Tabernacle veil and remained lighted, unseen by the boy. An hour later I had a great desire to pay a visit to our dear Lord and was astonished to find the veil entirely consumed and the artificial flowers on the altar a mass of flames. You see, dear Father, that the hand of the Lord is not shortened in our regard. When the boy was told of the mishap he said: "I am very sorry for my negligence and I'll go to Holy Communion in thanksgiving for God's protection."

Nothing further but to ask your blessing.

Yours in the Sacred Heart,
A. M. Keyes, S. J.

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Father Corbett just passed through Spokane on his way to join Father Deignan at Yakima, where they are giving a mission. Father Concannon replaces Father Corbett at Havre during the Lenten season.

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On February 20, the pupils of St. Leo's won the inter-High School Dramatic Contest by a unanimous decision.

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The broadcasting station of St. Louis University is sending out lectures on Scriptural subjects every Sunday evening.

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The Jesuit Mothers' Guild of Greater New York is rapidly developing. It recently held its first Communion and Breakfast with an attendance of three hundred enthusiastic members, though it is less than a year since its establishment. The purpose of the Guild is to assist the Society, especially in the support of its houses of study.

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Father Gasson recently celebrated the Golden Jubilee of his entrance into the Society. The beautiful buildings of Boston College were erected under his inspiration while president.

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Father Byrne, who spent some years in the Philippines, has succeeded Father Breen in connection with the Auriesville work. Father Byrne is already scheduled to give a number of triduums on the Martyrs of North America. Father Breen continues his work on the Jesuit Seminary Fund, and as Assistant Procurator of the Province.

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Father Mullaly of the Messenger recently returned from St. Vincent's hospital, where he underwent a serious operation.

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Within a few months more than five hundred requests from dentists in Japan have been sent to Dr. C. N. Johnson of Loyola (Chicago) Dental School, asking him to journey to the Orient to study the condition of dental education there and to advise with the dental school authorities of the empire for the advancement of dental science.

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The campaign for funds to build a greater Spring Hill College was renewed on February 1. This campaign was begun last year by the citizens of Mobile, working under committees appointed by the Mobile Chamber of Commerce and by the local Alumni of the College. The objective of the drive was $500,000 in pledges, payable annually over a period of five years.

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On New Year's eve, V. R. Father O'Callaghan, moved his vice-provincial headquarters from St. John's, Toledo, to St. Xavier College, Cincinnati.

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The Ordinandi at St. Louis University will make their retreat during Holy Week, and will be ordained on June 14, 15 and 16.

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The Italian and German Missions in Brazil have been raised to Vice-Provinces.

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On December 16, the Blessed Sacrament was removed from the old chapel in Woodstock and deposited in the beautiful new chapel, which was blessed next morning by R. Fr. Provincial before the Community Mass.

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Notice was just received of the death of Brother A. Becerril at Santa Barbara. R. I. P.